

CONFEDERATE VETERANS' ENCAMPMENT ENDS WITH OLD-FASHIONED PICNIC

ELECTIONS CLOSE DIXIE REUNION IN CHARLOTTESVILLE

Maj. Gen. W. B. Freeman Again Commands Veterans' Division.

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Reception and Ball at Armory Brilliant and Unique Function.

(Special to The Washington Herald.)



Mrs. Glasse Fitzhugh, Sponsor-at-Large.

The thirty-fourth annual meeting of the Grand Camp Confederate Veterans' Department of Virginia, and annual reunion of the Virginia Division, U. C. V., and Virginia Sons of Confederate Veterans, came to a close this afternoon, following an automobile trip to the University of Virginia and an old-fashioned picnic at Fry's Spring.

The reception at the Armory last night proved one of the most attractive and unique features of the many interesting functions that have marked the three days' reunion and as the old heroes passed in file down the line there was spontaneous and unrestrained applause.

Veterans Join in Dances.

The veterans gave themselves up to the spirit of the occasion at the ball which followed the reception and many, in their exuberance, danced around to the music in the old steps of the war period, vying with the youngest in snap and abandon. The ball was graced by the fair sponsors and maids, of-honor of the various districts of the State. Dancing was kept up until 1 o'clock this morning and not a few of the "boys in gray" remained till the end.

The closing session of the Virginia Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans, was held at the Masonic Temple at 11 o'clock, with Judge Advocate Samuel L. Adams, of Portsmouth, presiding in place of the Grand Commander R. Johnson Neely. The Sons voted unanimously to endorse the movement to lend aid to the Manassas battle field park project. The matter was brought to the attention of the Grand Camp by Miss Hutchinson, of the U. C. V.

Miss Annie B. Crump, Officers were re-elected, Third District, for the ensuing year as follows: Commander, Dr. R. B. Davis, of Charles City County; Adjutant and chief of staff, Brodie Herndon, of Portsmouth; division inspector, W. L. Wilkerson, of Goldcroft; quartermaster, Albert Rust, of Haymarket; surgeon, Dr. T. G. Garnett King, of Fredericksburg; historian, C. Whittle Sams, of Norfolk.

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Senators Have Bomb Scare as Ceiling Falls

Executive Room at Capitol Badly Damaged When Plaster Drops.

By the collapse of a portion of the ceiling in the Presidential room at the Capitol yesterday, a gorgeous chandelier was shattered, and the table upon which bills are signed by the nation's Chief Executive at the close of Congress was cut and scarred.

A symbolic painting of the late Brumidi, famous Italian painter, was partly effaced by the fall of the plaster. The crash caused a flurry in the Senate wing of the Capitol, occurring while the revenue bill was under debate, filling the halls and corridors with a jangling noise that none outside the Presidential room could account for.

There have been bomb explosions wrecking a large portion of the stair casing just east of the Senate chamber where the huge painting of the battle of Lake Erie has been hung. The fear that a bomb had been hurled at a member of Congress or some diabolical device had exploded causing loss of life was whispered about the offices as Senators and attaches of the Capitol rushed to their feet and were standing in the midst of the debris when others reached their side.

Elliott Woods, architect of the Capitol, was notified, and he arranged for the necessary repairs. The fear that the plaster which covers the ceilings throughout the Capitol, and are of similar age and grain as that which crumbled so suddenly yesterday, may require removal or restoration, has been expressed by some. If other ceilings are found to be in a fragile condition, the serious and costly problem of restoration will be laid before a committee of the Senate.

The work of restoring paintings by Brumidi, who died many years ago after more than a third of a century's work at the Capitol, has been in progress for several years on the first floor of the Senate wing, where much of the mural decoration and paintings had become dim or soiled from the ravages of time. The picture which was partly destroyed by the fall of plaster yesterday can be restored, enough remains to provide the artist with the means of outlining the missing portion.

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ALEXANDRIA, Va., Oct. 20. More than 1,000 Odd Fellows, from ten different lodges, this afternoon participated in a parade here at the first convention of the Northern Virginia Odd Fellows Association.

The parade was made up of three sections, and there were two bands—the Citizens' Band of Alexandria and the Camp Humphreys Band.

Capt. W. L. Martin was chief marshal. Many distinguished members of the order were in attendance, including several grand lodge officers.

Following the parade an informal reception was given for the grand lodge officers and guests of honor. Tonight the work was concluded when the first, second and third degrees were conferred on a class of 300 candidates in the Opera House.

Most of the merchants in King street had flags out in honor of the Odd Fellows, and there were welcoming signs at every point of vantage.

Among the attractions of the parade was a motor float of Liberty Rebekah Lodge, No. 16. There were three young women robed in white and two men in costume. The float was decorated in colors and autumn leaves.

Potomac Lodge of Alexandria had for its mascot a large goat, and two clowns headed 50 candidates from this lodge. Acotink Lodge had a jackass and a goat, and a banner bearing the legend "He is the Only Kicker" was on the parade.

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